Gharshankar

Tanda-urmal

Kadian

Makhaur

Guruhar Sahai

Bareta

Bachomandi

Guniana

Nihar Singh wala

Talwandi Bhai, Dharamkot

Machiwara

Nurmahal

Raikot

Bikhiwind and

Small Automatic Exchanges at 23 places.

Accidents on National Highway No. 1

2885. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of fatal accidents that occurred on National Highway No. 1 between the Jalandhar to Amritsar section during the last three years; and

(b) when the four-laning of this section is likely to be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Information is being collected from the Government of Punjab.

(b) The work is not included in the Seventh Five Year Plan.

Strategic Roads in Punjab

2886. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the total length of strategic roads declared as such in Punjab under the Strategic Roads Programme;

(b) what is the total requirement raised by the State Government for the maintenance and improvement of these roads during the last year and the current financial year respectively; and

(c) what was the amount actually provided by the Centre in view of the strategic importance and use by Army of these roads?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Sir, the information cannot be disclosed in Public interest.

Foreign visit by Joint Secretary, University and Book Promotion Division

2887. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of visits abroad by the Joint Secretary (University and Book Promotion Division); and

(b) whether his visits were in commensuration with the expenditure involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) A statement giving the information is annexed. (*See* below.)

(b) The visits were undertaken to participate in important international meetings/events in which representation by India at a senior level was considered necessary.